

Grade One Tires Scarce for December

Grade one passenger car tires available for Los Angeles county motorists in December total 49,506 or 1,342 less than the November 50,848 quota, Frank L. Ryan, OPA tire rationing representative, said today.

For eight Southern California counties the December quota is 65,062, a drop of 2,461 from the 67,523 November allotment. Southern California quotas for other type tires are: large truck tires, December, 3,188; November, 2,941; small truck tires, December, 5,736; November, 5,925; large implement tires, December, 146; November, 112 and small implement tires, December, 205, November, 177.

Break-down of the grade one passenger tire quota by counties,

WALTER A. TAPPIN... Seaman 2/c stationed at San Diego Naval Training Center, will return Friday for a brief visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tappin of 22119 Narbonne ave.

with December totals listed first followed by November, is: Inyo, 120, 169; Los Angeles, 45,506, 50,848; Orange, 3,018, 3,152; Riverside, 1,671, 1,828; San Bernardino, 2,798, 3,254; San Luis Obispo, 705, 732; Santa Barbara, 1,029, 1,088, and Ventura, 1,008, 1,050. Heavy vehicles are still being forced off the road through inability of operators to obtain needed heavy truck tires, size 8.25x20 and up, Ryan said.

Today the operator of a fleet of heavy vehicles engaged in construction work for the Navy in Inyo and Kern counties reported he was pulling back several trucks as he could not obtain tires needed to keep them in operation.

Mexican Nat's Urged To Cash Checks at Once

California employers of Mexican nationals throughout the state are urged to have their workers cash their paychecks before leaving the communities in which they are drawn, according to an announcement today by the California Bankers Association.

The suggestion, paralleling a similar request by the Mexican government to its nationals in California, is made to help workers obtain their money upon presentation of their paychecks without delay.

The recommendation was made because of the practice of some Mexican nationals in holding their paychecks for several weeks, eventually cashing them in communities other than those in which they were issued, thus resulting in delays in payment pending identification.



DECORATED... Corp. Elmer R. Vandegrift, receiving treatment for wounds at a base hospital in Paris, France, has recently been presented with a combat award, according to his mother, Mrs. J. R. Vandegrift of 1007 Arlington ave. The nature of her son's injuries has not been disclosed, but it appears that as a result he is suffering from paralysis of his lower limbs.

JOINS SISTER
Mrs. Margot Grow left yesterday to join her sister, Mrs. Virginia Scott, in Fresno.

Living Costs In L. A. Show New Increase

Higher prices for stoves and a nine percent seasonal advance in egg costs were mainly responsible for a 0.5 percent increase in Los Angeles living costs between mid-September and mid-October, Charles A. Roumasset, price economist for the Bureau of Labor Statistics announced today.

During the five year period since the start of war in Europe, prices of goods and services in Los Angeles have advanced 28.1 percent compared with a greater than 70 percent rise in the corresponding period of the first world war. Less than 2 percent of the current advance has occurred during the year ending October 1944, Roumasset added.

With the exception of eggs, none of the major groups of foods showed any significant price changes. The continuing advance in egg prices however, coupled with minor upswings in the other food groups was sufficient to account for a 1.1 percent advance in food costs. Egg prices ranged from 61 to 72 cents in Los Angeles stores and on the average showed an increase of 5 1/2 cents a dozen.

Clothing costs increases were confined to slight price adjustments in men's topcoats and sweaters and advanced only a tenth of a percent. The reappearance on the market of cooking stoves more nearly comparable to pre-war models but at considerably increased prices was chiefly responsible for the 1.4 percent increase in the house furnishings index. Fuel, electricity and ice prices were unchanged over the month. This index has been stable since August 1943 and is now 6 percent lower than August 1939. Rents

LONGREN EMPLOYEES AT HOLIDAY FEETE
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Winter Driving Calls for More Care In Handling Cars; Accidents Increase

Research into traffic fatalities show that a greater number of traffic deaths now occur during winter than summer months.

This fact is in marked contrast with pre-Pearl Harbor traffic accidents when summer casualties topped winter traffic fatalities.

Principal causes of high winter accident rates are slippery, wet or mud-snow-or-ice covered road surfaces and the poor visibility due to long hours of darkness, fogged windshields, rain and snowstorms. As a result, skidding accidents are prevalent.

The report further states that the most effective method of reducing skidding accidents during winter months is to remove the snow and ice from pavements as promptly as possible and provide good drainage so that pavements can be clean and dry.

Tartars are Edged by Narbonne

By **BUD SMITH**

The Marine League basketball season opened Tuesday, Nov. 26, for the Torrance basketball squad. The first game of the season was played in the Torrance gym against Narbonne High school.

The Tartars, although they held the lead up until midway in the fourth quarter, lost the game by a narrow 33-28 margin. High point men for the day was Palica, Gaucho guard, and Harline, Narbonne forward, with 9 points, while Jeffrey, of Narbonne, and Pete Dodos, Tartar forward were close behind with 8 points each.

Starting Lineup
Torrance—Narbonne
Stanley (6) RF Harline (9)
Dodos (8) LF Cramer (5)
Moon (2) G Jeffrey (8)
Crawford (5) RG Palica (9)
Diehlin (3) LG Scrivner (2)

Scoring subs: Torrance, Teske (4).

Score by quarters 1 2 3 4
N. H. S. 5 12 19 33
T. H. S. 8 14 22 28

TARTAR BEES
Torrance "B" basketball squad played fast, tricky squad from Narbonne and lost by a 54-18 count, Tuesday.

The Tartars were greatly handicapped by the Narbonne height, and by their own lack of experience.

Starting Lineup
Torrance—Narbonne
Northway (2) RF Janich (9)
Man LF Strohm (20)
Furgulle (6) C Arnold (11)
Jakabo'ki (7) RG Garely (5)
Jackson (2) LG Brown (2)

Scoring subs: Narbonne, Hilton (6), Ratzlaff (1); Torrance, Mitchell (1).

Myers Hear from Son In North; to Be Home Soon

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Myer of 2073 262nd st. were surprised and overjoyed at a phone call Sunday evening about 10 o'clock, when their son, Lawrence Myer, called them long distance from San Francisco. It had been nine anxious weeks since they had heard from him, and they were very happy to learn of his safe arrival.

Lawrence is in the Merchant Marine, and has been in the Marine service for the past 8 years. A year ago Armistice Day his ship was torpedoed and sunk off the coast of Australia. He informed his parents that he would be home for several weeks and could spend Christmas with them.

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